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A YANKEE IN RUSSIA.

An American Gets Gold From Refuse Sand.

CAPITAL AND SCIENCE SUGGEED.

The Natives Astonished Beyond Meas ura .- Millions in it.

Together with the great awe the average

Russian feels for the czar, he cherishes a like respect for the "clever Yankees" In 1885 the city of Ekaterinburg was visited by two strangers—a certain Russian capitalist, Zelenkof, and an American chemist. All efforts of the professional gossipers of the town to learn anything about the strangers were utterly useless Nothing was known of them save that during their short stay they were frequently seen around the mines in the suburbs of the city. In the adjoining forest, as though engaged in some geological research. One fine morning, however, they were gone and nothing was heard of them until the spring of 1886, when they appeared again and at this time evidently fully prepared for business. Almost the very day of their arrival they were seen on the known of them save that during day of their arrival they were seen on the outskirts of the city, and the number of various apparatuses which they had along soon exposed their secret. They were A TTORNEYS-AT-LAW. OFFICE IN ARIzons Central Bank building.

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Soon exposed their secret. They were testing and experimenting upon some of the enormous quantities of iefel or sand spread all over the field, which is rejected by the mine owners as useless. Such an apparent absurdity was enough to arouse the whole town. The jokes, comments and general amusement at the expense of the "cranks" knew no bounds. "One may as well test the mud of the street—the result will be the same." Such remarks were heard on all sides. The "cranks," bowever, entertained a different opinion about the matter After having completed all the necessary experiments, they called upon Novikof, one of the most prominent mine owners in Ekaterinburg
"If you remember," said Zelenkof, "we

had the pleasure of meeting you a year and a half ago, when, with your kind permission, we filled a bag full of your

"Of course I do, batiushka. Well, do you wish to have some more of it? You are perfectly welcome to all you can gather and more," sneeringly added Novikof

You are very kind, indeed. At the same time we should prefer to sign a con-tract by which we bind ourselves to pay you a certain amount, say 400 roubles per each pood of gold (a pood is equivalent to forty pounds), that we may obtain from

Novikof stared at them for a moment, as though scarcely able to realize his whereabouts, and then remarked. "Well, now, gentlemen, I do not wish to be made fun of "
"Not at all," interposed Zelenkof. We mean business We wish to pay you 400 roubles for each pood of gold obtained from your iefel, and to that effect we wish

to sign a contract. MILLIONS IN THE SAND.

A few mere words brought Novikof to

terms A similar contract was at the same time obtained from another promi-nent miner The first step having been accomplished the next was to break the ground and erect a large factory with all the modern improvements Men. women and children were frequently seen in crowds viewing the greatest wonder of the age-that of manufacturing gold out of Of course, opinions as to the success of the enterprise varied. Novikof himself thought, and he did not at all hesitate to express his thoughts, that the "cranks" would fail before long. He changed his opinion, when in the course of a year the strangers succeeded in produc-ing eight poods (240 pounds) of the high est grade of gold, while he himself, after expending a fortune and using what he

considered the best gold ore, produced only ten poods This occurrence created quite a sensa-tion in Ekaterinburg "Milhous in the sand! Millions that no one ever thought Millions spread all over the field! What a discovery!" Both Zelenkof and his American companion, especially the latter, became the heroes of the day They were frequently called upon by the miners of the surrounding towns and

villages, who in the most simple manner urged them to disclose the "secret." "Five hundred thousand roubles and a written agreement to keep the secret to yourself," was the discouraging reply which they received from the heroes." The successful enterprise of Zelenkof &

Co has undoubtedly proved to many of the Russian capitalists that capital and science combined go much further than such an uncertainly as "luck." The success that this firm met is waiting for many About five years ago a poor German graduate from the mining school leased a few desiatins of "worthless" land. He is said to be worth 200,000

And still the czar is in need of funds and his sole advisers are devising all sorts of means to borrow money and to tax his subjects.—Philadelphia Times.

Dishes at London Dinners.

Owing to the facilities for transport the fashion that prevails at large dinners of giving game, fruit, etc., coming from far ntries is less difficult than it might at first appear, and you now meet with many curious dishes that hitherto the untraveled have only read or heard of. At a grand dinner it is not extraordinary now to have offered to you bear's ham from Russia, steriets from the Volga or haunch of reindeer from Lapland. Among the fruits, the cokis from Japan are the best. This fruit is yellow, resembling in form and color a mandarin orange; the inside is eaten with a spoon, like an ice. But all these dishes from afar are overrated and cost more than they are really worth, and your true gourmets prefer the produce of France, where the poultry, game and fruit can be had fresh and not spoiled by long journey and being packed in ica.-London Queen.

As to reading while lying down in bed or on a lounge, I can see no objection to it so far as the eyes are concerned, provided the book is held in such a position that the eyes do not have to be rolled down too far. Unless the head is raised very high by pillows, however, it will be found very fatiguing to hold the book high enough not to mention the danger of falling asleep and of upsetting the lamp or candle and thus setting the bed on fire. Many persons permanently weaken their eyes by reading to pass away the tedious hours during recovery from severe lliness. The muscles of the eyes partake of the general weakness and are easily overtaxed. Per sons in this condition may be read to, but should avoid the active use of their awn both rings in turn, and finally each tyes .- Professor David Webster, M. D.

Hondin acquired a comfortable competence by the exercise of his art, and he built a handsome villa at St. Gervais, near Blois. When he had retired from business be amused himself by introducing varous curious inventions into his place and the grounds attached to it. The garden gate was situated some 400 yards from the house. A visitor had only to raise a diminutive brass knocker and let it fall upon the forehead of a fantastic face-making but a faint soundwhen a large bell was set in motion in

Houdin's Domestic Contrivances

the villa. At the same time the gate awung open automatically, the plate bearing the name "Robert Houdin" disappeared, and another took its place on which was | fellows: engraved the word "Entrez." When the postman delivered the letters he had brought he was instructed to drop them through a slit in the gate into the receptacle provided for this purpose. The box, directly this was done, started of its own accord on its journey to the front door of the house by means of a

miniature elevated railway. Houdin invented, too, an ingenious ontrivance by which, while lying in bed, he could feed his horse in a stable fifty yards from the villa, for on touching a small button there was put in motion an apparatus that caused the exact portion of oats required for the animal's meal to fall into the manger from the granary above. By another curious piece of mechanism a little bench that stood beside a ravine in a remote part of the grounds was so constructed that immediately any person sat down upon it the machine automatically traversed a narrow bridge that spanned the gorge, and having deposited the occupant on the other side the bench returned to its original position.-Chambers' Journal.

Sweet Vengeance.

known young men. One of them is a married man. The other day two young ladies from, well, it might have been Minneapolis, arrived on a visit to his wife. Soon after their arrival the two gentlemen conceived a diabolical idea. A mouse was captured and tied between the bed clothes in the apartment occupied by the visitors shortly before they retired. The reporter's informant refrained from giving the tragic details of the finding of the imprisoned animal, a-w-f-u-l! There was no peaceful slumber for the visitors that night, and until above practical joke. They succeeded hand and said:

most admirably. Last night the two gentlemen, who eccupied the same room, retired as usual. Occasionally they would remember something about the mouse and then a roar "Beg pardon, senator; you invited me to of laughter would be heard. But suddinner, and I am not going to lose it." thing about the mouse and then a roar "cuss words," and suddenly a prolonged and then nuffing noise listeners knew that all was over, or rather under the bed. It is explained that when the two young men proceeded to don what is commonly designated as a "night dress" no ingress or egress could be discovered. They were sealed -hermetically sealed. The crash was caused by the fragile form of a man falling to the floor through a sheet, which was mistakingly taken for a mattress. The gentleman slept upon the floor.-St. Cloud Times.

Wealth in the Watermelon

Every season develops more and more fully the prevailing necessity for the discovery of some practical and profitable use to which the surplus melon crop may be put. Every melon left in the field at the end of the season, except for seed, represents a waste. A means by Gatting a pen and a sheet of paper I told which this waste, which annually assumes enormous proportions, could be to join in a letter to another of our comrades averted would no doubt be hailed with with whom we were both very intimate durpleasure by every melon grower in the country; therefore the announcement from the Southland to the effect that such means has been discovered, if anthenticated, is an important one.

The new discovery, which consists of and I was saved from the impending mortifi-converting the melon bulb into sirup, it catton."—Philadelphia Times. is alleged, will establish in the south an industry scarcely of second importance to that of producing oil from cotton seed, and the product is vouched for as seed, and the product is vouched for as being the very best ever yet made. If the report proves true, and there seems the report proves true, and there seems to be little or no reason for discrediting thing was quiet, we saw a young couple just it, Mississippi and Scott counties may, with a little energy, convert that which is now absolutely valueless into profits running into the thousands.—Charleston

Calculation on a Potate.

Did you ever calculate the value of a ""What are you going to do about it?"
single potato on the basis that that single "The young man spurred right up to Nat, and was going to thrash him, when Nat pulled me by the arm and we both turned Did you ever calculate the value of a in itself the possibility of restocking the world with a valuable article of food. If one potato would produce when planted but ten potatoes in ten years the total product of that one potato would be 10,000,000,000, which would stock the whole world with seed. If the world were reduced to one single potato it would be better that London or Chicago be blotted from the earth than for that one tuber to be lost .- St. Louis Re-

An Old Cemetery Found.

A cemetery of the Merovinglan period has been disclosed by workmen in a railway cutting near Argenteuil, France. Two hundred and twenty tombs were brought to light. The primitive mode of cofflning the dead in plaster of paris was resorted to by the people who buried in this cemetery. The plaster envelopes have resisted well the action of time, it is reported, as all the skeletons were preserved.—Paris Letter.

The use of a ring at a wedding ceremony has been a custom for many years, and in many countries besides our own. In Russia two rings are used, which are changed about, each wearing

STORIES OF MEN.

The Boy Knew him and so did Senator Edmunds.

BRAWLING OUT OF A SMALL HOLE.

One of Nat Goodwin's Pranks.-Lamar's Absentmindedness.

A young man applied to Senator Edmunds for some money to suable him to get back to

You might come from Texas, for all I

truth, sanator. I have no way of proving it.

My home is in the village of — ".

"Oh, it is, is it?" said the senator, grimly. "Well, I've visited in that place a no times. I suppose you know overybody there, who had just been added to the collec-The boy replied that the people he didn't

know were not worth knowing.
"Well, then," said the senator, "tell me the name of the fat old man who peddles milk about town!" "He isn't fat and he isn't old," answered

the youngster, doggedly. "His name is "Skinny' Eccles." The faintest sort of a smile lit up the Vermont senator's stern features. Turning to twelve months, and is chiefly accom-There's no doubting the boy's honesty," and then he added with a chuckle, as he turned to re-enter the chamber, "Skinny Eccles; well, well. I haven't thought of him before in a dozen years."—Philadelphia Times.

Mr. Lamar's Absentmindedness. I remember a joke told about Lamar when he was in the senate. He has the reputation of being given to writing and thinking up poetry, and his appearance very often as he walks along the avenue is very pensive and A good joke is told upon two St. Cloud absent minded. At one time when he was gentlemen, both of whom are well living at Willard's he met a friend as he was

> "Come up and have dinner with me," said Lamar to the gentleman after they had shaken hands.

The friend accepted the invitation and started to walk up the street with Mr. Lamar. He began the conversation and soon was interested in telling about some coourrence at home, but Lamar had fallen into one of his reflective moods, and was not listening to anything the friend said. The space between the National hotel and Willard's was passed and it must suffice to say that it was in front of the latter hotel, Lamar suddenly pulled himself together, and, looking around, be recollected that he had a friend with him. dawn was spent by the young ladies in He had not heard a word the gentleman had deliberating upon how to avenge the said, but, turning to him, stretched out his

"Well, this is my hotel. I am very much obliged to you for walking up the street with me. Good-by," and turned to go in.
But the man was not so easily shaken. He laughed and said;

denly everything grew still. Then there were some remarks that sounded like "cuss words," and suddenly a prolonged "So I did, "cried Lamar quickly, and taking his friend by the arm he went in.—Washington Cor. Courier-Journal.

Crawling Out of a Small Hole. "I am usually very good at remembering "but I did get stuck once and under the most embarrassing circumstances. I was sitting in my office at St. Paul, when in came a man whom I was delighted to see and who was pany and served through the war together, he being the lieutenant of the company of which I was captain. I knew him as well as my own brother, and as we had not met for many years I was glad to give him a genuine hearty welcome, but for the life of me I couldn't think of his name. He remained with me all the morning and I invited him to go to my house to stop. He consented to do so, and as it approached dinner time I commenced to grow very nervous for, of course, I would have to introduce him to my family, and I couldn't ask my old chum and comrade what his name was, Finally I thought of a funny expedient. ing the war. He approved the suggestion and I wrote a couple of pages, telling our friend how pleasant it was to meet again and wishing that he was with us. Then I signed my name and passed the paper over to him. Much to my relief, he signed his full name

One of "Nat" Goodwin's Franks.

"That reminds me of the night I was out with Nat Goodwin," said the tall, board of ahead of us-going home, probably, from their after theatre supper.
"'If that fellow had any grit in him,' said

Nat, 'I'll make him solid with that girl.' With this he took me by the arm, and we hurried along and overtook the couple. In passing them Nat gave the young chap a push, and looking squarely at him, said:

and run.
"'There,' said Nat, 'won't that make him solid with his girl? She thinks he frightened

away a couple of big bullies who were just going to eat them both up." - Chicago Times. At the club the other night, when this ineldent was alluded to, John Oberly, the

eivil service commissioner, told the story of a mau-Gen. Watkins I believe was the name-who used to live down in southern Illinois. When he was in court as a witness one of the lawyers asked him his name. "Gen. Watkins," was the reply.

"Were you in the late war! "No. Bir. "Were you in the Mexican war!" "Were you ever commander of militin?"

"Did you ever hold a military appointmenti "No, sir."

"Then," asked the lawyer with a sneer, "how did you get to be a general?"
"I was born so," was the reply.—New Don't ornament truth. It doesn't need it, and, besides, embellishment gives it much the appearance of a lie.

Florida exposition grows at the rate of six inches a day.

LIONS IN HARNESS.

The Long Training Needed by the Desert King Before He'll Slave.

The very spirited illustration of three lions driven abreast by a man standing erect in a Roman chariot is familiar to most residents in London. It portrays, without the usual absurd exaggeration of mural art, an entertainment which is given daily at the French exhibition at

Earl's court. In the center of the large circular space which has been used during the last few years for the display of the In-SURFACED, MATCHED, GROOVED dians of the Wild West, the sports of the his home in Vermont, Being unknown to Roman amphitheatre, etc., is erected a Mr. Edmunds, the senator addressed him as smaller circle, securely surrounded with iron bars, having at the back an inclosed "How do I know that you live in Vermont? building containing dens. The "open sesame" of my host passed us into the "I can only assure you last I speak the private recesses of this prison house, in which I found four young lions, the oldest being about 3 years of age.

These constituted the trained troupe, nber of and there was also one younger scholar, tion. The education of this one was just commencing, and he still retained the feline characteristics to such an extent that any approach to familiarity was met by a snarl which displayed the unshed milk teeth of the owner, looking as sharp

and needlelike as those of a puppy. The training of these young lions rarely occupies less space of time than plished by kindness. Mr. Darling, their trainer, informed me that he regarded force as not being desirable, as it excited the animals to rebellion and was not conducive to obedience, whereas, trained under the system adopted, each animal knows its name and answers to it. So successful are the methods employed by Mr. Darling that he has never been bitten by the animals during the time

he has had them in hand. In addition to the lions the collection includes two huge Bavarian boarhounds, which take a very prominent part in the

performance. After this introduction to the performers I took my seat with the audience to witness the exhibition. Mr. Darling and his assistant entered the arena with the lions and one of the dogs; the former, at FLAGSTAFF, the word of command, leaped up upon pedestals and arranged themselves in pyramidal groups. While in this posi-tion Mr. Darling placed the ends of two scarfs in the mouths of the lions, forming festoons, over and under which one of the dogs leaped; two of the lions then stepped upon a plank forming a seesaw, the dog leaping on to the center and swaying it from side to side,

One of the lions then mounted a tricycle, working the pedals moving the front wheel with its fore feet, while the boarhound was pushing behind. The chariot was then brought forward; one lion entered readily between the shafts. and two others took their places at either side, one proving rather refractory; but after sundry growls he submitted to the stronger will of the trainer, who mounted the chariot and drove the trio round the Leading Hotel of Arizona.

The performance is very distinct from that of lion tamers in general, who rule their charges with rods of iron and prod them with points worse than the stings of scorpions, utilizing the fear and terror delighted to see me. We had been raised as of the animals at the superior power of boys together, had enlisted in the same comman. Mr. Darling, on the other hand, man. Mr. Darling, on the other hand, is very familiar with the members of his troupe. The manner in which he took hold of the forelegs of one of the largest and pulled him down from his pedestal when he was not sufficiently quick in descending was amusing.

The lions are of African descent, but, like the majority of the species now in menageries, have all been born in captivity, and familiarized with man from their birth. Whether they will retain their docility as they advance toward their full size remains to be seen; but at present they offer the most complete specimens of trained lions that it has ever been the writer's fortune to witness. -London Field.

A Beggar's Excuse.

Some of the beggars who infest Park row are very bright, indeed. By con stant practice they become admirable judges of character from facial expression. The ones who are most successful are those who come out frankly and own what they want money for. A very common device is to ask for a cent with which to get over the bridge. The other day a well dressed man was approached by a sorrowful looking man at the bridge entrance, who whined in a crying tone:

"Say, mister, will you please give me a cent? I want to get across the bridge." The man addressed shoved his hand into his pocket and drew out a ticket for the bridge promenade. The tramplooked at it with a disappointed expression

and then exclaimed: "That ain't no good to me, sir; I want to get over the bridge in a hurry on the cars. My grandmother's dying."-New York Journal.

Unexpected Generosity. A woman entered a drug store not far

from Beacon street the other evening, Albuquerque, N. M. and said that she wished to purchase a toothbrush. The proprietor laid out a number of these articles upon the counter for her inspection, and turned away to attend to the wants of another customer. In a short time the female approached him and said in the sweetest of tones:

"I have tried them all, and think that I like this one the best, so will take it." The astonished proprietor took one look at her, gave one moment to silent reflection and meditation, then said: "Madam, you may have them all for the price of this one. I will make you a

present of them." The woman no doubt is yet wondering at the cause of his unexpected generosity. -Boston Record.

Jay Gould has a brother in St. Louis named Abraham Gould, the burden of whose life is his relationship. He is the purchasing agent of the Missouri Pacific The bloom stalk of a century plant at a railway on a moderate salary, and he complains that he cannot go anywhere without hearing somebody whisper: Sloop is the parenthesis in serrow's tale. "There goes Jay Gould's brother."

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